(*b*)—

	No. of decrees confirmed.			No. of decrees set aside.		
	1936-37	*1937-38*	*1938-39*	*1936-37*	*1937-38*	*1938-39*
Bangalore	242	183	127	147	101	44
Kolar	202	207	149	91	100	74
Tumkur	192	183	212	175	111	95
Mysore	134	128	79	47	38	40
Mandya	73	209	92	43	37	30
Hassan	131	114	66	57	59	37
Shimoga	50	40	12	46	48	22
Chitaldrug	85	70	56	40	49	36
Kadur District—Chikmagalur	49	34	23	48	55	39

	No. of such decrees in respect of which no application was filed.		
	1936-37	*1937-38*	*1938-39*
Bangalore	524	578	509
Kolar	1,759	1446	1,269
Tumkur	1,339	1,444	848
Mysore	1,493	1,692	1,430
Mandya	1,035	804	957
Hassan	907	867	787
Shimoga	528	557	419
Chitaldrug	856	860	671
Kadur District—Chikmagalur	421	341	269

(*c*) No.

MR. T. V. NARASINGAPPA (Tarikere Municipality).—

Q.—48. Will the Government be pleased to state—

(*a*) the number of widows in the State in each of the years 1937 and 1938 (districtwar and talukwar);

(*b*) (i) the number of children given birth to by widows in those two years; (ii) the number of infanticides committed by them; (iii) the number of children that are living (talukwar particulars to be given);

(*c*) (i) the number of applications that have been received by the Police in this respect; (ii) the result of each application (talukwar particulars to be given);

(*d*) the powers vested in the Police in this respect and the nature of investigation conducted by them;

(*e*) whether they have come to know that widows are committing infanticides recklessly?

CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT.—

A.—48. (*a*) Information not available.

(*b*) (i) Not available.

(ii) 24 cases of infanticide were reported during 1937-38 and 21 cases during 1938-39. (*Vide* statement enclosed—Appendix).

(iii) Information not available.

(*c*) (i) and (ii) Please see statement enclosed. (Appendix).

(*d*) This class of offence falls under Sections 302, 317 and 318 of the Indian Penal Code which are all cognizable by the Police. The Police investigate such cases under the powers conferred by Chapter XIV of the Criminal Procedure Code.

(*e*) No.